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Third Round of Talks between the Government of Chad and the UN on the Future Mandate of MINURCAT

N'Djamena, 23 April 2010 – Following earlier consultations, Representatives from the Government of Chad and from the United Nations Secretariat on 23 March 2010, initiated a third round of talks regarding the mandate and the future configuration of MINURCAT.

In the course of these talks, the Government took note of the full range of responsibilities associated with the protection of civilians in accordance with international law. The Government is expected to fully assume these responsibilities starting 16 May 2010.

The two parties have identified areas of support in which MINURCAT may have a role once a new mandate is granted. The two parties have also discussed and agreed on a first downsizing of the Force to 1,900 troops. Based on this discussion, the tasks of this new Force have also been redefined.

The results of the aforementioned talks will be presented to the Secretary-General, and through him, to the Security Council for final decision.

The parties conducted these consultations in a spirit of partnership and mutual respect.

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